

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 21I, Sections 4, 9 in conformance with M.G.L. 30A, will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to 301 CMR 41.00 *Toxic or Hazardous Substance List*. These regulations implement changes to the list of chemicals made by the Administrative Council on Toxics Use Reduction, pursuant to the statutory amendments to the Toxics Use Reduction Act (TURA, Chapter 21I) made in 2006. **Please note that this meeting is being conducted remotely, consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth resulting from the outbreak of the 2019 novel coronavirus, known as "COVID-19."**

The proposed amendment is mandated by the Toxics Use Reduction Act (TURA, MGL Chapter 21I), which requires that changes made by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to the EPCRA Section 313 Toxic Chemical List be mirrored in the TURA Toxic or Hazardous Substance List. Specifically, on September 10, 2020, the Administrative Council voted to list 172 per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), added by USEPA to the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) under EPCRA Section 313 Toxic Chemical List on June 22, 2020.

A public hearing will be conducted via Zoom meeting at 1 p.m. on November 20, 2020 to receive comments on the proposed amendments. Testimony may be presented orally or in writing at the hearing. Meeting access information is below:

Public Comment: Addition of 172 EPA Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) PFAS Chemicals to the Massachusetts Toxics Use Reduction Act (TURA) Substances List Zoom Meeting
Time: Nov 20, 2020 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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Following the hearing, written testimony will be accepted until 5 p.m. on November 20, 2020. Written testimony should be submitted via email to tiffany.skogstrom@mass.gov or via mail to: Tiffany Skogstrom, Acting Executive Director TUR Administrative Council, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114. Copies of the proposed regulations are available on the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs web site at <https://www.mass.gov/doc/proposed-changes-to-the-massachusetts-toxics-use-reduction-act-tura-substances-list-addition-of/download>, or may be obtained by sending an email or calling Tiffany Skogstrom at 617-626-1086.

To obtain this information in alternative format, you may contact Rohini Murthy, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, ADA coordinator, at 774-266-4326, rohini.murthy@mass.gov, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114.

By order of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
Kathleen A. Theoharides, Secretary